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Judge Kolar Kottely
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Dear Judge Kottely,

I am a Greene County Supervisor and own a small business here in Iowa, I am intimately aware that our nation is enduring some serious problems. One thing that will give a boost to all of America is the settlement of the Microsoft case. This was a fair and reasonable ending to a complicated problem.

The idea of continuing litigation against Microsoft was simply a bad idea, and the nine states that decided to settle, made the right decision. The settlement permits other companies to use Microsoft's intellectual property and is a good settlement for everyone.

Our nation's economy is bleak enough, and the removal of this lawsuit will help all of us. Thank you for taking time out from your busy day to read my point of view.

Sincerely,


Guy W. Richardson